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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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Security Responsibility for CORONA/LANYARD

LANYARD is a code word assigned to the program involving a particular camera in the CORONA Project system.

Present planning calls for CORONA/M shots after the LANYARD shots, hence it is essential that the tight security precautions enforced for CORONA not be jeopardized by LANYARD.

CIA has been delegated security responsibility for CORONA and, to ensure consistency here, must have similar responsibility for LANYARD.

Access to LANYARD Information:

LANYARD is a compartment established under Project CORONA. Persons authorized access to LANYARD must meet CORONA approval standards. They will be briefed only to the extent necessary to do their job.

New CORONA approvals deemed essential to effectuate LANYARD will be granted by the Security Officer CORONA Project Headquarters [redacted] Security Officer/CIA).

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Determination of Need to Know:

In order to preclude unauthorized dissemination of CORONA Project information every effort must be made to rigidly hold down the number of new participants in CORONA necessary to the implementation of LANYARD. Ideally, LANYARD would be implemented utilizing existing CORONA cleared persons.

Director of Special Projects, OSAF, M/Gen. Greer, will determine need to know for people in industry under contract for the LANYARD program and DOD people directly or indirectly involved in the management or conduct of LANYARD.

Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force will determine need to know for DOD personnel not directly involved in management or conduct of the project.

CORONA Security Officer and his representatives on the West Coast and East Coast will review such candidates and must take into consideration whether their participation in CORONA/LANYARD will have an adverse effect upon continued CORONA security. In the event it is determined that jeopardy to CORONA security will probably result, the CORONA Security Officer will not concur in the clearance request and so inform the Office of the Under Secretary of the Air Force and the DD/R CIA.

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